

ASUW Student Senate Steering  
April 22, 2005  
Minutes

Respectfully submitted by Senate Secretary Alex Kim

Call to order at 2:31

Roll Call

Aiko Akers – late  
Chris Barrows – proxy by Garrett Parks  
Nick Dayton  
Mae Diligencia  
Alex Kim  
Kelsey Knowles – excused absence  
Steve Kushnir  
Jon Lee  
Mike Leichner  
Joel Murray  
Garrett Parks  
Rene Singleton – excused absence  
Karl Smith  
Zach Tobin

Chair's Report

Chair **Zach Tobin** yielded to Ryan Mattson (Elections Chair) for some comments about the Candidates' Forum. **Ryan** said that he wanted to meet with those from the Senate formulating questions for the candidate's forum. **Zach** said he would like to have questions ready by Monday night at 5:00. **Ryan** reminded members to allot time for candidates' opening remarks.

Officers Report

Vice-Chair **Karl Smith** said that at the BOD, officers' salaries were all increased. He said that the BOD voted to decrease the Senate Chair's hours to 14 hours.

Secretary **Alex Kim** asked if 14 hours was what Personnel Committee recommended. **Karl** said that it wasn't; he said it was Andy O'Connell's motion to reduce the Senate Chair's hours and there was not a chance to question it.

**Alex** asked if the amendment concerning the Director of Organizational Relations was being passed to ballot. **Karl** said that it was, and he said it might be likely that Judicial would review the matter as well.

**Alex** said he'd like more information from the VP about the change in salary.

**Karl Smith** moved to formally request information from Vice President Andy O'Connell in person in regards to the reduction in the Senate Chair's salary. *Seconded.*

**Alex** said that he believed it was completely reasonable to demand an explanation for what he felt was a "dubious action" by the Board.

**Mike Leichner** moved to close debate. *Seconded. The motion passed.*

*The motion passed.*

**Alex** said he had nothing to report. He mentioned that he bought frames for about \$30.

#### Legislative Referral

**Zach** entertained the referral of R-11-32: A Resolution Commemorating Pope John Paul II to General Affairs.

*So moved, seconded. The motion passed.*

**Zach** entertained the referral of R-11-33: A Resolution to Expand the IMA Use Policy to Campus Affairs.

*So moved, seconded. The motion passed.*

#### Approval of the Agenda

**Zach** said that length and manner of the forum would be determined by Steve Kushnir, Mae Diligencia, and Garrett Parks.

**Steve** moved to eliminate committee meetings. *Seconded. The motion failed.*

**Nick** moved to suspend rules and place R-11-32 directly on the floor. *Seconded. The motion failed.*

**Steve Kushnir** moved to place New Business before Old Business. *Seconded. The motion passed.*

**Alex** asked how long the candidate forums might be. **Cammie** pointed out that last year, the elections forum lasted the entire meeting.

**Steve** moved to remove all business from agenda besides the Candidates' Forum. *Seconded. The motion failed.*

**Steve** moved to strike committee meetings. *Seconded. The motion passed.*

**Nick Dayton** moved to place committee meetings after the Candidates' Forum. *Seconded.*

**Mike Leichner** moved for Steering Committee to decide the time format of the Candidates' Forum. Seconded.

**Alex** amended to the motion to make the decision at end of the meeting. Seconded.  
The motion passed.

It was moved to approve the agenda. Seconded.  
The agenda passed.

It was moved to approve the Senate minutes. Seconded. The motion passed.

**Steve** moved to excuse his own absence. Seconded. The motion failed.

**Nick** moved to approve the Steering minutes. Seconded. The motion passed.

#### Time Format of Candidates' Forum

**Cammie Croft** explained last year's format. She said the candidates for president were given 1 minute to make opening remarks, a minute to respond to the prepared question, and 30 seconds for questions from the floor. Candidates for vice-president received 45 seconds for opening remarks, 45 seconds for the prepared response, and 30 seconds for question from the floor. All other candidates and measures received 30 seconds for openings, 30 seconds for prepared responses, and 30 seconds for questions from the floor.

She added that whoever went first in one round of statements went last in the next round. The order of candidates was that given in EAC's official slate.

**Joel Murray** moved to proceed as last year. Seconded.

**Nick** said he'd like to see more time for questions depending on how many candidates are running on each position.

**Aiko Akers** said we could either say one minute per candidate, or we could set a baseline of time.

**Cammie** added that last year, she asked if people wanted more time.

**Nick** moved to amend the motion such that each position would be allotted two minutes of questions per candidate running. Seconded.  
The amendment passed.

The motion passed.

**Mike** moved to adjourn. Seconded. The motion passed.